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Maj. Gen. Lionel C. McGarr, Commandant
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Fort Leavenworth, Kansas

My dear General McGarr:

STATINTL I wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation for the
STATINTL courtesy and hospitality extended to
 during their recent visit to Fort Leavenworth.

As you know, our Director earnestly desires that this Agency participate in the instructional programs of the service colleges when this is appropriate. One of our purposes is to ensure that the students receive a clear understanding of the mission and functions of the Agency both in peacetime and in wartime or other contingency situations. Further, our representatives are expected to be fully informed on any substantive Agency activities on which they speak, and to be able to respond candidly and effectively to constructive questions from the student body. The bounds of security and need-to-know will be respected, but the Agency speaker must not be unduly evasive. In addition to meeting your specific course objectives, our over-all objective in making these speakers available is to promote mutual understanding and to facilitate more effective working relationships in solving common, intelligence and operational problems.

In this spirit and if you care to, I should very much appreciate your frank appraisal of our contribution to your course, in terms of selection of subject matter, methods of presentation, handling of question and discussion periods, and, of course, any suggestions which you or your staff may wish to offer.

I hope that when you or members of your staff have occasion to visit Washington you will feel free to call upon me.

Very truly yours,

Matthew Baird
Director of Training